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BOATANCHORS Digest 3204

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by "philip" <dgnova@erols.com>
- 22) Munchow Tube Auction Results now available
by "John Dilks, K2TQN" <oldradio@worldnet.att.net>
- 23) Happy Birthday to us!!
by jim lockwood <jmlckwd@mindspring.com>

From: "Rhett T. George" <rtg@ee.duke.edu>
Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 15:51:21 -0400 (EDT)
Message-Id: <200108101951.f7AJpLt00029@gifthorse3.ee.duke.edu>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: RBK-15

- Greetings -

Sitting in the loft is a good-looking RBK-15 tag. It is firmly fastened a cabinet which leads me to conclude that this cabinet is for the same radio. The cabinet has several, small, unoriginal metal deletions (okay, added holes) on the sides. Unfortunately, the cabinet is empty.

If this a desirable receiver for listening? If so, what frequencies? Comments favorable to the RBK-15 from this august group of boatanchorists will cause me to search for such a receiver at the several hamfests found in NC this fall.

Thanks ahead for your comments on the RBK-15.

73 Rhett - KE4HIH

Message-Id: <v03007801b799e894fb63@[66.32.26.23]>
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Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 12:41:21 -0700
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: Scott Robinson <spr@earthlink.net>
Subject: Re: Remember to ask when you pick up radios....

Folks,

I keep a database of my radios and enter where I got it and its then and present condition, among other things. Anything interesting goes there,

and so long as I do my backups, it won't get lost as pieces of paper do.

I did mention backups, didn't I? In 15 years of home and work computer usage, I 've never lost data. I do one a month, just after I reconcile my checkbook. At work I backup once a week.

I do only the data I have created; software can be re-loaded. That keeps the task manageable.

Regards,

Scott Robinson
spr@earthlink.net

Junque is GOOD for you!

Message-ID: <00e001c121da\$64f13100\$e38056d1@default>
From: "David L. Thompson" <thompson@mindspring.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Anyone going to Rochester, NY Hamfest?
Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 16:24:00 -0400

I need help from anyone going to the Rochester, NY hamtest late this month and then going to the Shelby, NC hamfest the next week. Shelby is the largest fleamarket south of Dayton and actually starts (the fleamarket does) about a week before. Printed dates are Sept 1 and 2.

Luc Dugas is bringing some gear for me to Rochester and if you can carry this gear to Shelby please contact me by e-mail...I am willing to pay expenses etc.

73 Dave K4JRB

Message-ID: <0d2501c121e5\$5b410620\$6401a8c0@ec.rr.com>
From: "anchor" <anchor@ec.rr.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: RCA RadioMarine CRM-R6A info?
Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 17:36:43 -0400
MIME-Version: 1.0
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charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 8bit

Hi boatanchorists,

An RCA RadioMarine CRM-R6A came home with me today. Looks like a real neat receiver, covers 0.08 to 30mc in 18 bands, sliderule type dial, 2 mc per band mostly. Previous owner recorded inside the bottom cover that it had been overhauled in 1994 & ckd out OK after. He was a communications tech, now SK, and it looks good. But no docs found on it yet.

I see 2 Collins filters in there, probably the low freq ones, 455 or 500 kc. Nice bandswitching mechanicals, haven't opened up the covers yet to see the turret, but at first look, it seems like I've found a new standard to measure SP-600's, etc, against.

Does anyone have any info? BAMA isn't coming up this PM, so haven't bn able to ck there yet, I know they had a little RCA stuff a while back.

thanks & 73,

Al, W8UT

New Bern, NC

BoatAnchors appreciated here

anchor@ec.rr.com

<http://www.thecompendium.net/radio/>

And remember; "-They don't make tubes nowadays like they used to..."

From: "Richard W. Solomon" <w1kszt@tiac.net>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: I Need Some RG-62A/U
Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 17:55:13 -0400
Message-ID: <LOBBJFMMJJCIMDIAGBJLAEICGCAA.w1kszt@tiac.net>
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I need about 20 feet of RG-62 (75 ohm) coax to make a matching section. Anybody have any I can get ? It does need to be capable of taking solder so that eliminates the CATV stuff.
The local R/S doesn't have any.

Tnx, Dick, W1KSZ

Message-ID: <3B745E77.F65EA0@bayserve.net>
Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 18:21:43 -0400
From: Ray Allen <w2kbr@bayserve.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
CC: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: I Need Some RG-62A/U
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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I do not believe RG-62 is 75 Ohm, if memory serves me it's around 93 or 95 ohm..but then I am getting older.....RG-59 is close to 75 ohm....
I surely will stand corrected if anybody knows for sure ;o))

es 73 Ray

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Ray A. Allen, Sr., W2KBR
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Severn, Maryland, 21144-2331

Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 16:36:36 -0600 (MDT)
From: Richard Loken <richardlo@devax.admin.athabascau.ca>
Subject: Re: I Need Some RG-62A/U
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Cc: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
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On Fri, 10 Aug 2001, Ray Allen wrote:

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> 95 ohm..but then I am getting older.....RG-59 is close to 75 ohm....
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Quite right, you need RG-59 for this task. RG-62 is higher impedance and us
old farts use to interconnect separate transmitters and receivers and that
seems to be the case for all brands of hollowstate SSB separates: Drake,
Collins, Heath...

Richard Loken VE6BSV, Systems Programmer - VMS
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Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 18:58:32 -0400
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: john <johnmb@nc.rr.com>
Subject: WTB:RCA AR77 Rx
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Anyone have a complete one surplus to their needs?
Plz advise condition and price

Rgds and thank you,
John

Message-ID: <3B74729E.51E44451@metronet.com>
Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 18:47:42 -0500
From: Neal McEwen <nmcewen@metronet.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
CC: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
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"John Dilks, K2TQN" wrote:

> Searching the history of radios is exciting for me. I love to put a name
> and a story with my things whenever possible.
> Remember to ask when you pick up radios.... Then write it down and stick it
> inside.

Friends, I wrote this piece some time ago for my web page. Tho it is aimed at the telegraph key collector, it applies equally well to any old technology piece.

Are You Being a Good Caretaker of Your Keys? by Neal McEwen, K5RW

As collectors, we are caretakers of the items in our collection. Too often we focus on taking care of the hardware. We should also give due diligence to taking care of what we can't see or touch,... the history and circumstances surrounding the key. Equally as important as the keys are the stories they could tell if they could talk. Unfortunately, they can't talk, so we as collectors have to talk for them. We preserve and restore old keys, but a lot of us are neglecting the preservation of the stories that go with the keys. The next generation of collectors will inherit the stories only if we preserve them.

Before putting a key on display, document it. A lot of the keys we get as collectors come from someone we know or briefly met. When the cash leaves your hand and a key enters your hand, the seller says, "this key belonged to my great uncle who was a telegraph for the XYZ railroad." At this moment, pause and ask questions. "What years did he work for XYZ?" "Did he work for any other RRs or telegraph companies? What cities did he work in?" Write down the answers. This type of information promotes

the key to a real treasure rather than just another commodity key. If the owner was a radio operator, find out what type of transmitter it was used with. If he was Navy or Merchant Marine, find out what ships he served on.

A friend of mine has a very ordinary Vibroplex Blue Racer. Most of us would ho-hum gloss over it. This one however was used in Korea to broadcast the news of the Panmunjon peace talks to units in the field. Now that's what I call a real treasure!

Often, the seller of a key knows the history of the key, but forgets to tell you or thinks you might not really care. Ask! Get the details. Ask for a letter of authentication. It doesn't have to be anything complicated. A simple statement or a few sentences will suffice. A letter helps both of you recall details that might be lost in a casual conversation. Ten years from now, you will have the letter; you may not be able to recall a ten year old conversation.

If the story with the key is identified with a popular event, such as a battle or catastrophe or if the key was used at a historical site, such as an early wireless station or cable station, ask that the letter be notarized. This adds value to the key and gives credence to the story. Likewise document keys used by famous telegrapher or wireless operators.

There are thousands and thousands of Bunnell Triumph keys. If you have two in your collection, which would be your favorite. Which one are you most likely to show a visitor. The one you know nothing about or the one that was used in the depot of your home town? When I have a duplicate, I keep the key with the story, even though it might not be as nice condition wise.

Even though you have written down the history, you have to link it to the key. If you get hit by a truck, the story and the key are separated. The key is now mute; it has no one to speak for it. Put a string tag on the key! On this tag summarize what you know about the history of this key. The name and callsign of former owners are most important. Use two tags if you have to. If it is a less well known key, add the maker and date of manufacturer also. String tags are available at office supply stores.

Besides preserving the stories for posterity, documented keys add a lot of interest to your collection. Visitors like to hear stories concerning keys. One interesting story begets another. Tell a few and you are likely to get one in return.

I know a collector who has a bug used by legendary silent key Don Wallace, W6AM. I wonder if he has documented this and connected the story to the key? Let's all try to be good caretakers!

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73 de K5RW, Neal McEwen, at "The Telegraph Office", nmcewen@metronet.com
A WWW Page for Telegraph Key Collectors and Historians
http://www.metronet.com/~nmcewen/tel_off.html

From: "Richard W. Solomon" <w1kszt@tiac.net>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Cc: <w2kbr@bayserve.net>, <dmcintyr@ucalgary.ca>, <W7QH0@aol.com>, <cbmcg@home.com>
Subject: RG-62 ?? I Messed That One Up
Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 21:38:46 -0400
Message-ID: <LOBBJFMMJJCIMDIAGBJLKEIFGCAA.w1kszt@tiac.net>
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Thanks for the replies,
73, Dick, W1KSZ

From: Henry van Cleef <vancleef@eskimo.com>
Message-Id: <200108110151.SAA12431@eskimo.com>
Subject: Re: 465M manual needed
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 19:51:12 -0600 (MDT)
Cc: boatanchors@theporch.com
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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The esteemed Terry O'Laughlin has said:

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> My tech college needs a 465M scope manual. We just got 30 of them and want
> to refurbish a lab with them.
>

I'll recommend Deane Kidd up in Portland for Tek manuals. Deane is an ex-Tek who bought a warehouse full of obsolete originals from Tek some years ago----he supplies copies where originals are not available.

Take the serial numbers off your scopes and let Deane know what the range is. He'll furnish docs for scopes in the range.

Somebody else posted his E-mail, which I don't currently have, so use that.

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Hank van Cleef
1986 420SEL

Message-Id: <200108110159.VAA02484@mcfeely.concentric.net>
From: "John K9UWA" <k9uwa@arrl.net>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 21:02:26 -0500
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT
Subject: Drake Problem

OK Guys.....

Looking for a part for a Drake C line receiver.....would be the same I think in the transmitter.....
this receiver.....16,000 serial number.....nylon gears etc.....well you turn the knob one way and all is well.....you turn the knob the other way and the knob makes one full revolution before it catches and turns the dial.....after that it is fine until you again decide to turn the knob the other direction.....and then its the same story one revolution before you get to move the dial.....

So...two questions.....

#1....what is broken?.....

#2....anyone out there have a parts rig that would have what we need to repair this one?.....

thanks

John k9uwa

John Goller, k9uwa
4836 Ranch Road
Leo , IN 46765

telephone 219-637-6426

thanks

John k9uwa
k9uwa@arrl.net

JohnJeanAntiqueRadio.com

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Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 19:17:14 -0700

To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

From: Ron Hershey <rhershey1@qwest.net>

Subject: Re: Those Old Radios

Mime-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

8/10/01 7:18:41 AM, "Norm Flasch" <flasch@cushy.ece.nwu.edu> wrote:

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I did

>wind up with a beautiful Airline projection console with chrome chassis.

>My wife loves this set so I won it at \$250.00. A relative bargain.

>It works fine, but has some bad areas on the dial projection drum.

>Finding a replacement will be difficult.

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Try Rock-Sea Enterprises at <http://members.aol.com/rockseaent/>

They show a reproduction movie dial for Airline 62-318 (and others) for \$20.00

I'm ordering one myself for my model 62-313 console.

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regards,

Ron Hershey

Message-ID: <000201c1220d\$e44f3540\$e69ecdd1@ebjr>

From: "Sandy W5TVW" <ebjr@i-55.com>

To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

Cc: <w2kbr@bayserve.net>, <dmcintyr@ucalgary.ca>, <W7QH0@aol.com>, <cbmcg@home.com>

Subject: Re: RG-62 ?? I Messed That One Up

Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 21:11:01 -0500

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----- Original Message -----

From: "Richard W. Solomon" <w1ksz@tiac.net>

To: "Old Tube Radios" <boatanchors@theporch.com>

Cc: <w2kbr@bayserve.net>; <dmcintyr@ucalgary.ca>; <W7QH0@aol.com>;
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Sent: Friday, August 10, 2001 8:38 PM

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> Thanks for the replies,

> 73, Dick, W1KSZ

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RG-63 is the size of RG-8/U externally. It has a very tiny conductor
inside a tubular polyethylene tube for the center conductor and is 125 ohms.
Very low capacity compared with 50 ohm cables!

I like to use RG-62/U for receiving the antenna lead-in feeder. Wish I
could get some more somewhere cheap.

73,

Sandy W5TVW

Message-ID: <0e2a01c12296\$07221f00\$6401a8c0@ec.rr.com>

From: "anchor" <anchor@ec.rr.com>

To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

Subject: Re: I Need Some RG-62A/U

Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 14:47:09 -0400

MIME-Version: 1.0

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Hi all,

Just this AM I came across 2 rolls of new RG-62 that's rated for direct
burial, a little larger dia. (I think) than the stuff us old farts use on
the Drake's (I got some of that from the WireMan in SC a while ago). I
don't know what I'll do with it, but if anyone wants some, I'll make it
available real cheap.

73,

Al, W8UT

New Bern, NC

BoatAnchors appreciated here

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<http://www.thecompendium.net/radio/>

And remember; "-They don't make tubes nowadays like they used to..."

From: Stuw7fe@aol.com
Message-ID: <65.18af1293.28a6fae4@aol.com>
Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 17:17:24 EDT
Subject: Need advice on BA cleaning
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
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Gentlemen:

I'm looking for advice on what works best for cleaning BA chassis and associated parts. For example, I'd like to clean up a Ranger which has a sort of light oily residue over the most everything, and dirt has been captured by this goo in many spots. Another Ranger in my "collection" has mostly just dried "mud" spots and water stains on the chassis and capacitor extension shafts which could stand cleaning. Finally, my 2B's copper chassis shows areas of "tarnish" which I'd like to try to clean.

I'll bet there are several favorite products/mixtures that you folks with experience in this area have developed. Perhaps you would pass these along together with other comments regarding your preferred "tools" (brush types, swabs), methods, cleaning and/or protection of tube socket contacts, capacitor bushings, rotary switch contacts, etc.?

Many thanks in advance.

Stu W7FE

Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 18:47:47 -0500 (CDT)
From: Bob Roehrig <broehrig@aurora.edu>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: RD-60/U code recorder (fwd)
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.4.31.0108111845570.27594-1000000@students.aurora.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Give-away item: - for pickup only a like new RD-60/U Code Recorder. This unit plots on/off or mark/space signals on a strip of paper tape. Input is either audio tone or contact closure. If no one wants it, it goes out with the trash next week. Location is 40 miles West of Chicago.

73 Bob Roehrig K9EUI
Aurora University Telecom/IS dept.

630-844-4898 broehrig@aurora.edu

Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 17:00:46 -0700
From: Arden Allen <gumbear@pacbell.net>
Subject: Re: Need advice on BA cleaning
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Message-id: <0GHX000YJHCOEF@mta7.pltn13.pbi.net>
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Hi Stu;

> I'm looking for advice on what works best for cleaning BA chassis and
> associated parts.

Well, it depends on what you mean by "cleaning". It's not as simple as it first appears. It's more in the realm of "how do you make an 80 year old person look 20 again?" The cloning folks, whom G. Bush-nit is so endearing to, are working on that answer. The bigger challenge is making a 50 year old radio look like it's just out of the box.

My philosophy is to remove the cosmetically injurious superficial crud and corrosion products and then "freeze" the radio in time by applying preservatives. It should best look like just what it should be, an old radio that someone has taken to caring for. That's all us old folks look foreward to, no?

Short of a total disassembly and replating and repainting of all parts, all the scrubbing, scraping, brushing and chemical attacks don't really do that much to improve appearances. Moderation is the way to go, IMHO.

Arden Allen KB6NAX Vallejo, CA gumbear@pacbell.net

Message-ID: <001501c12343\$26a96060\$bade243f@dadsoffice>
From: "John Morris" <moe@email.msn.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: Need advice on BA cleaning
Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 08:26:24 -0700
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I would totally agree with Arden. You can make the outside look almost like

new by polishing chrome and brass, taking rubbing compound to knobs and doing a possible overspray in scraped areas.

The chassis is another thing. Aside from stripping everything off and replating or sandblasting, just use degreaser to get off the oil, clean the dirt off and possibly use a deruster like "Naval Jelly". In my use, though, a steel brush to knock the rust off sometimes is not as ugly as the darkened surface that the rust remover leaves. The rust remover is, I think, an acid which may take the rust off but eats the finish also. Its a trade-off. I've also used on one occasion where the chassis was SO pitted and blotchy looking, put on an aluminum paint.

Sometimes I will use a small amount of, yes I know its taboo, steel wool to lighten aluminum IF cans and transformers. Make sure you cover everything else so the "wool" dust and small steel pieces don't get into things like variable caps or inside the cans. Then vacuum and re-vacuum to make sure it is all gone. I use compressed air after that.

I guess its all personal preferance and depends on what you want it to look like.

John - WB0RLD

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Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 12:54:10 -0400
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: john <johnmb@nc.rr.com>
Subject: Re: Need advice on BA cleaning
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>doing a possible overspray in scraped areas.

Another vote for "stabilization" over "restoration".....

Having done some of each in the past, I've determined that I like a radio that shows some scrapes and bumps, but is cleaned up to the best potential that its condition allows, better than resprayed, repainted "over restored" radios.

A nice clean waxed radio, with a few dings and scratches is to me, like a comfortable pair of old shoes....

FWIW
John

John Brewer - WB50AU/4
AMI #24
Clayton NC
johnmb@nc.rr.com

Message-ID: <003301c12370\$fa262e00\$39082c42@default>
From: "philip" <dgnova@erols.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
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I think this is the same type of receiver I had many years ago. If it is, then this is how it works: It has been a long time, so this description may be in error.

It covers the short wave bands in 2 mcs segments. Below 2mcs, it is a regular receiver. One of the IFs is 455kc or thereabouts. To cover the region around 455kc I think the input signal is converted to about 1.2mcs, then down to 455kc.

Above 4mcs it works as follows:
One section of the receiver tunes from 2mcs to 4mcs. On the left side of the set is a converter. It has a straight line tuning condenser. The converter oscillator remains fixed. The RF and mixer tune a 2mcs section of the short wave frequencies. Say you tune from 10mcs to 12mcs. The main section tunes from 2 to 4 mcs and the RF and mixer tune from 10 to 12mcs tracking with the 2 to 4 mcs section. You can see the RF and Mixer tuning knob vary as you tune. It is mechanically connected to the main tuning section knob.

I don't have the instruction manual anymore. sorry.

Message-Id: <4.3.2.7.0.20010812183733.00bc7e70@postoffice.worldnet.att.net>
Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 18:52:05 -0400
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

From: "John Dilks, K2TQN" <oldradio@worldnet.att.net>
Subject: Munchow Tube Auction Results now available
Mime-Version: 1.0
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To all,

For information about the Munchow Tube Auction, please see Ludwell Sibley's message below. Please consider joining the Tube Collectors if you are interested in Tubes. They put out a great newsletter 4-times a year filled with Tube information.

Membership information is available on their web site.

73' John Dilks, K2TQN

Auction information:

Results of the "tube" part of the Muchow auction, recorded by Jerry Vanicek, are now available on the TCA Web site,

<http://www.tubecollectors.org>.

Jerry included some commentary on the general nature of the sale.

Despite the "most important" tube going for \$3200, there were some relative bargains. eBay enthusiasts will enjoy the WECO tube socket for only \$20!

Ludwell Sibley
73's de K2TQN, John Dilks

My Old Radio Column in QST Magazine
<http://www.eht.com/oldradio/arrl/>

Old Radio Wireless and Radio History page
<http://www.eht.com/oldradio/awa/>

K2TQN's Old Radio Museum
<http://www.eht.com/oldradio/museum/>

The New Jersey Antique Radio Club page
<http://www.eht.com/oldradio/>

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Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 06:04:31 -0700
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: jim lockwood <jmlckwd@mindspring.com>
Subject: Happy Birthday to us!!
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Good morning, Gang,

It's been nine years. Can you believe it? The original boatanchors mailing list was started on this date in 1992.

Perhaps a little surprisingly, three of the original five list members are still around, Nick England, John Brewer, and myself.

Jack, who has unselfishly maintained the list for 7+ years, was one of the first subscribers after the existence of the list was announced to the world.

If imitation is the most sincere form of flattery, then BA has been flattered extensively. There are, as far as I know, two other mailing lists that use the name "boatanchors" and there is an internet newsgroup by the same name. Too, there have been a plethora of branded BA lists formed in the years since, Heath, Clegg, etc....

I don't have a copy of the very first announcement of the existence of the the BA list, but the first public announcement is reprinted in its entirety below. (John? Nick?)

Happy Birthday to us!!!

73,

Jim - k4ccf

>>Date: 13 Aug 92 21:40:39 GMT
>>From:
>>sun-barr!news2me.ebay.sun.com!jethro.Corp.Sun.COM!smli.Eng.Sun.COM!acidqueen
>>.Eng.Sun.COM!lockwood@ames.arpa
>>Subject: mail alias for old rigs
>>To: info-hams@ucsd.edu
>>
>>I've created an email alias on my machine specifically to be
>>a distribution point for messages concerning old rigs. The

>>name of the alias and the means to reach it is:
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>> boatanchors@acidqueen.eng.sun.com
>>
>>The purpose of this alias is primarily for discussions concerning
>>old, heavy, glow-in-the-dark, fire-bottle-based boat anchors with
>>names like Hammarlund, National, Heath, hallicrafters, Gonset, etc.
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>>Older models of rigs with names like Kenwood, Icom, Yaesu, really
>>aren't what I have in mind for this group.
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>>My intention is to maintain the alias and add people to it
>>as/if/as if demand warrants. I don't intend for it to be a
>>moderated alias, but let's keep message lengths reasonable and
>>flames in /dev/null, where they belong.
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>>If you have an interest in this and want to be added to the
>>alias, send mail to me:
>>
>> lockwood@acidqueen.eng.sun.com
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>>73,
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>>Jim - KM6NK
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